GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2152
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2002
DEVELOPMENT OF ZOOS IN RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government of Rajasthan has sent any proposals in 1999 and also thereafter for providing adequate funds of the proper development of zoos particularly for the zoo at Kota in the state;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) The reasons for not clearing the proposals so far; and

(d) The time by which the same are likely to be cleared and implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) & (b) & (c) & (d) The zoos in Rajasthan have not been found to be viable at their present locations. The Government of Rajasthan has been assured that financial assistance for relocation of zoos to new site will be provided in a phased manner. Assistance of Rs 18.34 lakhs has been provided to the zoos in Rajasthan for upgradation of health care facilities and augmentation of water supply. Decision to close down Kota Zoo has been taken and no funding has been provided to it after 1998. The State Government has been requested to prepare detailed plans on the basis of which funds can be released to the State Governments.

Annexure-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (b) & (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2152 FOR REP 29.7.2002 REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF ZOOS IN RAJASTHAN

Statement showing proposals received from Government of Rajasthan for development of zoos, amount sanctioned their against and reasons for their non-clearance

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Name of the Zoos	Amount prop- osed by CZA	Amount sanctioned	Remarks
1999	Jaipur Zoo	32.25	Nil	No funds were released, as the State Government had not complied with stipulation for deployment of a full time veterinarian to the Zoo.
	Kota Zoo	21.25	Nil	Funds could not be released as the zoo has been refused recognition.
2000	Jaipur Zoo	0.50	0.40	
	Jodhpur Zoo	24.00	9.59	Rs. 4.17 lakhs was released and balance to be released after deployment of full time veterinarian.
2001	Jaipur Zoo	16.80	2.75	Rs. 2.75 lakhs for veterinary facilities were approved.
	Jodhpur Zoo	1.00	1.00	Amount sanctioned and first instalment of Rs. 0.50 lakhs released for preparation of Master Plan for the new proposed site at Machia Biological Park.

2002	Jaipur Zoo	33.56	3.35	Since the zoo is to be relocated to Nahargarh Biological Park, funds for developmental activities at Jaipur Zoo at present site has not been approved. Rs. 3.75 lakhs has been approved for construction of treatment room at new site.
	Jodhpur Zoo	13.00	1.25	The Zoo is to be relocated to a new site. Therefore, Rs. 1.25 lakhs has been sanctioned for water supply to zoo animals at present site.
	Udaipur Zoo	40.75	Nil	No developmental activities at present site has been approved as the zoo is to be relocated to a new site.
	Nahargarh Biological Park	276.88	Nil	The State authorities have been requested to submit designs and layout of the enclosures proposed to be constructed.
	Total	459.99	18.34	